

**SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS  
JANUARY 17, 2007 MEETING MINUTES**

At 7:31 PM, Director Ware opened the meeting with a moment of silence and asked that Freeholder Chuck Sullivan, be remembered in our prayers followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Director Ware stated that adequate notice pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act had been given of this meeting and read the Open Public Meeting Act Statement.

On roll call, the following Freeholders were present: Deputy Director Bobbitt, Freeholders Timberman, Lindenmuth, Simmermon, Bestwick and Director Ware. Freeholder Sullivan was absent.

Motion was made by Deputy Director Bobbitt to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the December 28, 2006 and January 3, 2007 meetings and that the Minutes be received, approved and recorded in the Minute book. Freeholder Timberman seconded his motion. The motion carried by a vote of 6/0. Freeholder Sullivan being absent.

**WAIVER OF THE RULES**

Director Ware asked if there were any waivers, to which Clerk of the Board Gage responded that the resolution under the Planning & Transportation Committee regarding the adoption of the Open Space Preservation Plan and the Farmland Preservation Plan was a waiver.

**SPECIAL REPORT/UPDATE**

Gordon Dahl, Executive Director, South Jersey Economic Development District, gave an update on the Old Court House project as well as other projects in the County that they are involved in. He thanked the County for their commitment to this project. Freeholder Timberman thanked Mr. Dahl for his efforts in the continuing economic developments within Salem County.

Director Ware then presented Mrs. Samuels a proclamation thanking her for her many years served a member, and secretary of the Salem county Cultural and Heritage Commission.

**INTRODUCTION**

Bond Ordinance 2007-01

REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF THE COUNTY'S OUTSTANDING CALLABLE: (I) GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 1999, DATED DECEMBER 1, 1999; AND (II) VOCATIONAL SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 1999, DATED DECEMBER 1, 1999; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$4,750,000 OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF SALEM, NEW JERSEY, TO FINANCE THE COSTS THEREOF; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

Motion for Introduction of Bond Ordinance 2007-01 was made by Deputy Director Bobbitt, which was seconded by Freeholder Timberman. On roll call, the motion was carried by a voice vote of 6/0. Freeholder Sullivan being absent. The Public Hearing and adoption is scheduled for Wednesday, February 21, 2007.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**GENERAL**

Eileen Swan, Executive Director, Department of Community Affairs, Office of Smart Growth – letter regarding the New Jersey State Preliminary Plan Map – Cross Acceptance

Susan Bass Levin, Commissioner, Department of Community Affairs – notice of approval of receipt of a Public Facilities Grant in the amount of \$400,000 for ADA improvements and other construction efforts to the historic county Court House

Richard L. Canas, Director, Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness – two pieces of correspondence

- letter regarding the status of the progress in completing the projects identified within the FY05 Homeland Security Grant Program spending program
- letter regarding the policy and rational for reducing positions funded by federal homeland security grants

Deborah Pinto, Chief, Office of Local Environmental Management – notice that the request for a no-cost time extension of the 2006 CEHA contract is approved

Frank De Marco, Manager, Office of Accounting, Department of Children and Families – copy of a chart detailing the New Jersey Department of Children and Families Calendar Year 2007 estimates of the counties' revenues and expenditures related to various categories

Mark Robson, Ph.D., M.P.H., Director, New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station, Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey – letter endorsing the 2007 Plans & Estimates submitted by the Salem County Mosquito Extermination Commission

Timothy G. Chelius, Executive Director, South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization – copy of the November 27, 2006 Minutes and January 22, 2007 Agenda

David C. Rollison, RMA, Certified Public Accountant, Bowman & Company – copy of the Salem County Community Bus Service Audit Report for fiscal year ended June 30, 2006

Salem County Association of Local Government – copy of the November 30, 2006 Minutes

Joseph H. Davenport – letter of resignation from the Salem Community College Board of Trustees due to health issues

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

For the Month of October

Office of the Disabled

For the Month of November

Office of the Disabled

Nursing Home – Complete HealthCare Resources-Eastern, Inc.

For the Month of December

Office of the Disabled

Emergency Services

Shelter of Hope population report

Weights & Measures

#### **COMMITTEE/COMMISSION MINUTES**

Salem Community College Board of Trustees December 12<sup>th</sup> Minutes

Construction Board of Appeals December 12<sup>th</sup> Minutes

Library Commission December 18<sup>th</sup> Minutes

Mental Health Board January 9, 2007 Minutes

Commission on Women December 14<sup>th</sup> Minutes

Workforce Investment Council November 29, 2006 Minutes and January 24, 2007 Agenda

Motion was made by Deputy Director Bobbitt to accept and file the correspondence, departmental reports, and the committee and commission reports. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Timberman. The motion carried by a vote of 6/0. Freeholder Sullivan being absent.

Motion was made by Deputy Director Bobbitt that all Bills and Claims, when properly signed and audited, be paid and charged to their respective accounts. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Timberman. The motion carried a vote of 6/0. Freeholder Sullivan being absent.

Motion was made by Deputy Director Bobbitt that the Treasurer's Report be received and filed, subject to audit, and that a copy be made available to the public, upon request, for its review. Freeholder Timberman seconded his motion, which was carried by a vote of 6/0. Freeholder Sullivan being absent.

Director Ware stated that if there were no objections, the resolutions would be read in bulk.

R. 2007-69  
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALEM COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT  
TO PURCHASE MATERIALS, SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT  
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM THROUGH NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACTS

R. 2007-70  
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE  
AWARDING OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM

R. 2007-71  
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE SALEM COUNTY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUEL

Deputy Director Bobbitt moved for adoption of these three resolutions, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a vote of 6/0. Freeholder Sullivan being absent.

R. 2007-72  
FINANCE

FINANCE RESOLUTION CANCELLATION OF CHECK

R. 2007-73  
FINANCE

FINANCE RESOLUTION CANCELLATION OF CHECK

R. 2007-74  
FINANCE

FINANCE RESOLUTION CANCELLATION OF CHECK

R. 2007-75  
FINANCE

RESOLUTION AMENDING 2007 TEMPORARY BUDGET – COUNTY OF SALEM

R. 2007-76  
FINANCE

FINANCE RESOLUTION REQUESTING TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Deputy Director Bobbitt moved for adoption of these five resolutions, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a vote of 6/0. Freeholder Sullivan being absent.

R. 2007-77  
PUBLIC SERVICES

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE  
SALEM COUNTY COMMISSION ON WOMEN

Freeholder Bestwick moved for adoption of this resolution, with Freeholder Lindenmuth seconding her motion. The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a vote of 6/0. Freeholder Sullivan being absent.

R. 2007-78  
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN NEW JERSEY TRANSIT  
AND THE SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS FOR FUNDING OF THE  
SENIOR CITIZEN AND DISABLED RESIDENT TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE ACT

R. 2007-79  
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES  
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM  
(Merion Gardens)

R. 2007-80  
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR PROVIDING  
EDUCATION AND PREVENTION SERVICES FOR THE  
SALEM COUNTY ALCOHOL AND DRUG SERVICES OFFICE  
(Lori Tedesco Singley, Educare)

R. 2007-81  
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR PROVIDING VARIOUS SERVICES  
FOR THE SALEM COUNTY ALCOHOL AND DRUG SERVICES OFFICE  
(Sodat, Inc.)

R. 2007-82  
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR PROVIDING VARIOUS SERVICES  
FOR THE SALEM COUNTY ALCOHOL AND DRUG SERVICES OFFICE  
(Eagleview Hospital)

R. 2007-83  
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR PROVIDING VARIOUS SERVICES  
FOR THE SALEM COUNTY ALCOHOL AND DRUG SERVICES OFFICE  
(Maryville, Inc.)

R. 2007-84

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR PROVIDING  
MALE HALFWAY HOUSE SERVICES FOR THE  
SALEM COUNTY ALCOHOL AND DRUG SERVICES OFFICE  
(\$6,000 - Hendricks House)

R. 2007-85

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF  
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR THE COMMISSION ON DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE  
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM  
(B. R. Williams, Inc.)

R. 2007-86

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE  
SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS AND  
B.R. WILLIAMS, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF  
ASSISTED TRANSPORTATION TO SENIOR CITIZENS OF SALEM COUNTY  
(B.R. Williams, Inc.)

R. 2007-87

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF  
MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES TO OUT OF COUNTY LOCATIONS  
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM  
(B.R. Williams, Inc.)

R. 2007-88

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF  
MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES TO VARIOUS DELAWARE LOCATIONS  
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM  
(B.R. Williams, Inc.)

R. 2007-89

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN CENTER AND THE  
SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS FOR THE  
PROVISION OF PHYSICAL FITNESS SERVICES TO SALEM COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS  
(YMCA)

R. 2007-90

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
NANTICOKE LENNI-LENAPE COUNCIL OF SALEM COUNTY AND THE  
SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS FOR  
PROVISION OF OUTREACH SERVICES TO SALEM COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS  
(Nanticoke Lenni-Lenape Council)

R. 2007-91

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
PUERTO RICAN ACTION COMMITTEE OF SALEM COUNTY AND THE  
SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS FOR  
PROVISION OF OUTREACH SERVICES TO SALEM COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS  
(PRAC)

R. 2007-92

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
JOHN B. CAMPBELL FITNESS CENTER AND THE  
SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS FOR THE  
PROVISION OF PHYSICAL FITNESS SERVICES TO SALEM COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS  
(John B. Campbell Center)

R. 2007-93

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES  
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM  
(South Jersey Legal Services)

R. 2007-94

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES  
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM  
(Meals-on-Wheels)

R. 2007-95

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES  
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM  
(South Jersey HomeCare & Community Services)

R. 2007-96

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO THE  
NATIONAL COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG DEPENDENCE  
OF SOUTHWEST NEW JERSEY INCORPORATED TO PROVIDE  
MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE SALEM COUNTY INTOXICATED DRIVER RESOURCE CENTER

Freeholder Hogan moved for adoption of these nineteen resolutions, with Freeholder Bestwick seconding his motion. The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a vote of 6/0. Freeholder Sullivan being absent.

R. 2007-97

PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR  
AND THE CLERK OF THE BOARD TO ACCEPT THE DESIGNATION OF THE  
NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) IN THE COUNTY OF SALEM

R. 2007-98  
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF  
OFF SITE COMMISSARY SERVICES FOR THE  
SALEM COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM  
(Oasis Management Systems)

R. 2007-99  
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION AWARDING AN EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICES CONTRACT  
FOR A MEGAN'S LAW COORDINATION/POLYGRAPHIST AND  
ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE  
SALEM COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE  
(Stephen Little)

R. 2007-100  
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION AWARDING AN EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICES CONTRACT  
FOR ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION SUPPORT SERVICES  
FOR THE SALEM COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE  
(Donald R. Ayars)

R. 2007-101  
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION AWARDING AN EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICES CONTRACT  
FOR WARRANT PROCESSING AND ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION SUPPORT SERVICES  
FOR THE SALEM COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE  
(Dale Carlson)

R. 2007-102  
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION AWARDING AN EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICES CONTRACT  
FOR WARRANT PROCESSING SERVICES  
FOR THE SALEM COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE  
(Robert Fisher)

R. 2007-103  
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS ACCEPTING A GRANT  
FROM THE NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE FOR THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE  
(Body Armor Grant)

R. 2007-104  
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS AUTHORIZING  
GRANT APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
OFFICE OF THE INSURANCE FRAUD PROSECUTOR FOR THE  
PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE INSURANCE FRAUD REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

R. 2007-105  
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE  
SALEM COUNTY FIREMAN'S ASSOCIATION'S RECOMMENDATION OF A  
CANDIDATE TO SERVE AS SALEM COUNTY FIRE MARSHALL

R. 2007-106  
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE  
SALEM COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION'S RECOMMENDATION OF A  
CANDIDATE TO SERVE AS SALEM COUNTY FIRE COORDINATOR

R. 2007-107  
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 2007-11 FOR THE  
APPOINTMENT OF AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COORDINATOR  
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM

R. 2007-108  
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR DENTAL SERVICES  
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM  
(Dentrust Dental International, Inc.)

Freeholder Lindenmuth moved for adoption of these twelve resolutions, with Deputy Director Bobbitt seconding his motion. The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a vote of 6/0. Freeholder Sullivan being absent.

R. 2007-109  
PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION

RESOLUTION AWARDING A SOLE SOURCE LIMITED CONTRACT FOR THE  
SALEM COUNTY TRANSIT COMMUNITY BUS SERVICE FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM  
( Prevost Parts, Inc.)

R. 2007-110  
PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION

RESOLUTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER TO THE  
SALEM COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

R. 2007-111  
PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE  
SALEM COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

R. 2007-112  
PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND ADOPTING THE OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION PLAN AND  
THE FARMLAND PRESERVATION PLAN FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM

Freeholder Timberman moved for adoption of these four resolutions, with Freeholder Lindenmuth seconding her motion. The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a vote of 6/0. Freeholder Sullivan being absent.

R. 2007-113  
PUBLIC WORKS

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR A  
PUBLIC ARCHIVES AND RECORDS INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT (PARIS) 2007 GRANT



R. 2007-114  
PUBLIC WORKS

RESOLUTION AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT TO  
TRIAD ASSOCIATES TO SERVE AS GRANT PREPARATION CONSULTANT  
TO THE COUNTY OF SALEM

R. 2007-115  
PUBLIC WORKS

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OFFICERS OF THE  
SALEM COUNTY CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS PURSUANT TO  
N.J.A.C. 5:23A-1.2(g) and (h)

Deputy Director Bobbitt moved for adoption of these three resolutions, with Freeholder Lindenmuth seconding his motion. The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a vote of 6/0. Freeholder Sullivan being absent.

Under New Business, Director Ware announced the County surplus is now 17.9 million dollars for 2006. He stated that a portion of this surplus will allow this Board to reduce the Tax rate by five cents. He also stated that there will be a line item of two cents for continued farmland preservation efforts, including the IPA program.

Under the public portion of the meeting, Diane Ford of Pennsville asked why if the County Tax rate is going down why taxes are going up in Pennsville. Administrator Gage explained that the rate is set across the board for all 15 municipalities, how that effects each municipality is based on the evaluation of properties within the community. As an example: if Salem City evaluation is at 81% then a tax rate reduction of 5 cents could result in an increase, if the evaluation is at 100% then they would enjoy the full reduction. Mrs. Ford further asked if the Freeholders received health benefits, or if any other boards? Director Ware responded that Freeholders do not, however members of SCUA receive benefits, as an independent authority.

Blanch Hogate of Salem thanked the Board for their efforts to preserve the Old court House and reminded the Board that she has employees in the building that will have to be moved.

Jim Yanus-Aloway Twp. asked when the copies of the Farmland/Open Space reports will be going out. Freeholder Timberman responded that since it is now received and adopted, it will be sent out to each municipality.

Steve Caltabiano noted that the Tax Office is always available for questions concerning the tax rate.

Freeholder Bestwick noted that it is not so much the tax rate but the amount of spending that the County incurs that effects the taxes in each community. She noted that in order for real tax relief the County Budget would have to go down, which can not be done for various reasons, in order to see taxes go down not just the rate. We will have to see what the proposed five cent rate reduction does.

R. 2007-116  
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM A  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS OF THE COUNTY OF SALEM

Deputy Director Bobbitt moved for adoption of this resolution, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a vote of 6/0. Freeholder Sullivan being absent.

The Freeholders went into Closed Session at 8:07 PM.

The Freeholders returned from closed session at 8:35 PM, with a motion to adjourn by Freeholder Bobbitt, seconded by Freeholder Timberman, which carried a vote of 6-0. Freeholder Sullivan being absent.

Respectively submitted,

Earl R. Gage  
Clerk of the Board